

## York BVRS 02-15-17 CAC Meeting Minutes

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Meeting Minutes

February 15, 2017

*Present:* Ashley Wilson OVR , Kayce Stoffa OVR, McKinley Generette OVR, Cindy Capresecco OVR, Jaritza Nguyen CIL, Eric Orr CIL, Vicki Dettinger Fulton Financial Corporation; Larry Kauffman Advocate; John Eccleston AHEDD Area Manager; Tony Schweitzer and Lori Leister Bell Socialization Services, Terri Johnescu GSK, Keren The Arc Lancaster

*Next meeting:* April 5, 2017 10am-12noon York District Office

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### Discussion

- Follow Up -
  - Evening CAC Meetings – This can begin in April
  - YTI Lancaster – Shared Concerns within our office
  
- Staffing-
  - New Business Services Representatives (BSR), McKinnley Generette and Cindy Capresecco (introductions)
  - A third Early Reach Coordinator (ERC) will be starting on 2/21/17 – Maureen Staub – Will be working in Adams and Franklin Counties
  - Marie Martini will be returning March 6 and will step back into a counselor position in York County
  - Two counselors and one supervisor nominations have also been sent to HR – these are currently on hold
  
- Interagency Agreements/PETS Services -
  - Group Services
    - Providers
      - LIU- Lincoln Intermediate Unit (Adams, Franklin & York)

- YAP Youth Advocate Program(Adams, Franklin, Lancaster & York)
  - Goodwill (Franklin)
  - IU13 (Lancaster)
- Group options/curriculum
  - Classes: Self Advocacy (agency information, self-awareness), Independent Living (Money management, transportation), Work readiness (work attitudes, soft skills)
  - Currently being implemented by providers in all 4 counties
  - Not just in schools – EARS (Ephrata Area Rehabilitation Services)
    - Working on a summer program to include Morning PETS class and afternoon activity
- Interagency Agreements
  - SDOL (School District of Lancaster)
    - SDOL needs, goal of agreement (support, better outcomes)
    - Trying to start a program Fall 2017, meeting on 2/15/17 to discuss further
    - 2 parts
      - 1) To get work experience- partnering with local businesses. similar to Fenner program using group Work Based Learning (WBLE)
      - 2) HACC – partnering with HACC to have classroom 9am-12p, SDOL will provide teacher. Allows students to take a class, and have support
  - IU13 & Brownstown CTC
    - Distribution program to meet need of growing industry in Lancaster county
      - Companies interested: Dart, Nordstrom, Turkey Hill, Case New Holland, Four Seasons Produce
    - Targeting students that may typically struggle in academic CTC programming
    - Teaching soft skills/ WBLE
    - Student must be 18 by March, so they can become employed in the field
    - Forklift certification included in this program
    - Meeting 12/16/17 to continue to work on project

- Dual Enrollment
  - OVR can now pay for high school students to take one college class per semester in their last two years of school-used as an assessment
  - Must be approved through their district for dual enrollment
  - Must provide counselor with information RE: acceptance, cost, etc.
  - Must be an academic based course
  
- Upcoming Job Fairs –
  - 2/15 Fulton Financial – East Petersburg
  - 2/15 Martin Library – Youth Job Fair
  - 2/15 York Careerlink – Mutti Sector
  - 3/15 York Careerlink – Focus Behavioral
  - 3/15 Lancaster Careerlink
  - 3/29 York Galleria
  - 4/20 York Learning Center – Econ. Alliance
  - 5/18 Hanover Mall – Hanover Chamber of Commerce
  
- DHH Summer Academy -
  - To provide support to high school students who are deaf or hard of hearing with independent living and self –advocacy skills necessary to transition from high school to post-secondary educational options
  - Will run from Sunday July 9 to Friday July 21, 2017 at Penn State Main Campus
  - 46 applications received – looking to accept 25 students by mid – March
  - Subject Areas:
    - AT
    - Communication Access Options
    - Self-advocacy, self-awareness, and the law
    - Vocational Development
    - Recreation and Teambuilding
    - Financial Management
    - Social Work
  - Partners include:
    - OVR (Office of Vocational Rehabilitation)
    - PSU (Penn State University)
    - BSE (Bureau of Special Education)
    - PATTAN (Pennsylvania Training and Technical Assistance Network)
    - ERCHL (Educational Resources for Children with Hearing Loss)
    - ODHH (Office of Deaf and Hard of Hearing)

- Discovery/Customized Employment –
  - York is officially a part of phase 2 of the pilot. Should be implemented by the end of Spring 2017
  - March 9<sup>th</sup> – provider training at the York DO
  - April 25<sup>th</sup> – staff training with OVR’s central office
  
- Transition Conference –
  - August 9-11, 2017 in State College, PA
  - 3 presentation proposals entered from the York DO:
    - Next Step Program
      - Program that the Manheim Central school district is running. Students have class in a district owned home to learn independent living skills. OVR works with their classroom to have work experiences within the community that are paid through OJT (on the job training)
    - Fenner Drives
      - Program with Manheim Central using WBLE. Group of students work at Fenner doing things like sorting ‘S’ hooks, and building boxes. One job coach assists students. They are paid through OJT
    - ThinkBIG! (previously operation employment)
      - Project is the result of a consortium of multiple community organizations and local education agencies in Lancaster county to encourage students of all abilities to explore career options for third and fourth graders
  
- Certified Recovery Specialist (CRS)-
  - OVR can now pay for this training- no requirement for history of substance abuse
  - 54 hours of education (18 in recovery management, 12 in education/ advocacy, 6 in professional ethics, 6 in confidentiality, and 12 relevant to addictions.
  - Individuals must:
    - Have HS diploma or GED
    - Meet education hours (54 hours)
    - Pass the PCB exam
    - Sign the ethical code of conduct
  - 2 components to receive CRS certification
    - CRS pre-certification training (54 hours of education)
    - CRS certification exam (PCB)

- Future Plans for CAC / Open Discussion-
  - YTI – any follow up with YTI?
    - Member feels that the counselor, of customer who discussed concerns, should call YTI and base concerns with the school to see if anything can be done
  - CAC – how is this presented to customers?
    - Handouts and Personal Contact
      - Suggestions –
        1. Counselor's reach out to specific customers on caseloads and discuss what we could do different to increase attendance
        2. Create a survey and send out with flyer to discuss time options available for future meetings
  - Discovery Training for providers
    - Dates and Times for March?
      - Invite sent out Friday 2/17/17 to providers (current job coaching providers, new/interested providers, sheltered workshops and the ARC's
      - Training will be Thursday March 9, 2017, 9:00am- 11:00am at the York DO. Conference call in line will be available as well.

**The next CAC meeting is scheduled for Wednesday April 5, 2017 from 10:00am-12:00pm.** Meetings take place at the York District Office, 2550 Kingston Road Suite 207 York, PA 17402.

You may also participate via phone conference: 717-612-4733 or 1-855-750-1027. The pin number for the conference call is 236562

Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) Meeting Time Survey

	<b>10am-12pm</b>	<b>1pm-3pm</b>	<b>3pm-5pm</b>	<b>5pm-7pm</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>				
<b>Wednesday</b>				
<b>Thursday</b>				

- ❖ **As a committee, we are trying to build our attendance by giving everyone the opportunity to give us their feedback on what days/times you feel we should hold our meetings.**
- ❖ **Please contact one of the co-chairs with the day/time that works best for you.**